

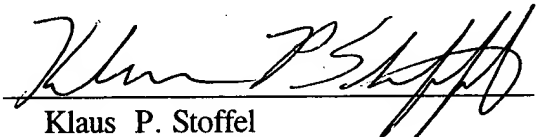
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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO 1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

German reference 29 86 72 discloses a pressure tight encapsuled magnetic drive.

German reference 29 26 549 discloses an explosion resistant pressure tight electromagnet.

Applicants do not have English language translations of these references readily available.

The present invention defines a specific valve magnet which is not believed to be disclosed by the enclosed references.